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STATE TREASURER PHIL ANGELIDES ANNOUNCES STEM CELL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS, NOMINATES CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

SACRAMENTO, CA – State Treasurer Phil Angelides today announced his appointment of Dr. David Baltimore, Dr. Michael Friedman, Michael Goldberg, Dr. Francisco Prieto and Dr. Janet Wright to the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee (ICOC), the 27-member panel that will oversee the new California Institute for Regenerative Medicine. The Treasurer also announced his nomination of Robert Klein and Joan Samuelson to lead the Committee as its chair and vice chair. The Institute was created when voters approved Proposition 71, the \$3 billion California Stem Cell Research and Cures Initiative, to fund life-saving stem cell research and research facilities.

“The outstanding Californians I have selected to serve on the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee represent the accomplishment and innovation that have put California at the center of scientific advancement and progress in our nation,” said Angelides. “Their commitment and proven dedication to curing and treating diseases will lead the Institute toward fulfilling its promise of hope for patients and their families.”

The ICOC includes representatives of the five University of California campuses with medical schools and members appointed by the Governor, Lt. Governor, Treasurer, Controller, Senate President pro Tempore and Speaker of the Assembly. Those appointees include four representatives of California universities, four representatives of non-profit research institutions, four representatives of commercial life sciences entities, and 10 representatives of disease advocacy groups.

Proposition 71 gave Treasurer Angelides the responsibility to appoint five of these members: a representative of a California university; a representative of a non-profit research institution; a representative of a California commercial life-science entity; and representatives of disease advocacy groups in the areas of type I diabetes and heart disease. Under the Proposition, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Treasurer and Controller each nominate a candidate for the chair and vice chair positions.

“As California embarks on this groundbreaking and potentially life-saving research initiative, I am confident that, if approved by the Committee, Robert Klein and Joan Samuelson will lead the Committee in representing the best interests of Californians, and that each of the members I have appointed will help ensure that we see the benefits of this initiative through cures and treatments for debilitating diseases, reduced health care costs, and new jobs and revenues for our State,” Angelides said.

Attached please find brief biographies of the Treasurer’s appointees and nominees.

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Dr. David Baltimore

Dr. Baltimore is the Treasurer's appointee on the ICOC representing a California university. Dr. Baltimore is currently president of the California Institute of Technology. Awarded the Nobel Prize in Medicine at the age of 37 for his work in virology, Dr. Baltimore has also contributed his expertise to the development of national science policy, including DNA research and AIDS issues. He is also an accomplished researcher, educator, administrator and public advocate for the science and engineering fields. Dr. Baltimore's honors include the 1970 Gustave Stern Award in Virology, 1971 Eli Lilly and Co. Award in Microbiology and Immunology, 1999 National Medal of Science, and the 2000 Warren Alpert Foundation Prize. He was elected to the National Academy of Sciences in 1974, and is also a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Baltimore received his B.A. in Chemistry from Swarthmore College in 1960 and a Ph.D. in 1964 from Rockefeller University. Dr. Baltimore resides in Pasadena.

Dr. Michael Friedman

Dr. Michael Friedman is the Treasurer's appointee as a representative of a non-profit academic research institution. Dr. Friedman is currently the president and chief executive officer of City of Hope, a biomedical research and treatment center just outside Los Angeles. City of Hope is one of only 38 National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Centers. Dr. Friedman is a distinguished clinical researcher whose past positions include leading roles in industry, academics and government. Most recently, Dr. Friedman held the position of senior vice president of Research and Development, Medical and Public Policy, for Pharmacia Corporation. He previously served as acting commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration; as rear admiral and assistant surgeon general in the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; and as associate director of the Cancer Therapy Evaluation Program at the National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health. Before that, he was an associate professor and director of the Clinical Research Program for hematology and oncology at the University of California at San Francisco. Dr. Friedman received a B.A. from Tulane University and his medical degree from the University of Texas. Dr. Friedman resides in Pasadena.

Michael Goldberg

Michael Goldberg is the Treasurer's appointee to fill a position on the ICOC reserved for a representative of a California commercial life-science entity. Mr. Goldberg has more than 20 years of experience working in development of life science technologies, and is currently a board member of Genomic Health, a Redwood City company that develops technology to help health care professionals and patients select the most appropriate cancer treatments based on their individual genetic profiles. Mr. Goldberg is also a long-time patient advocate, and has served as a trustee of the National Childhood Cancer Foundation since 1993. Mr. Goldberg received his B.A. from Brandeis University and his M.B.A. from Stanford University. He is currently the Managing Director of Jasper Capital, a private investment company. Mr. Goldberg resides in Woodside.

Dr. Francisco Prieto

Dr. Francisco Prieto is the Treasurer's appointee as a California representative of a type I diabetes advocacy group. Dr. Prieto is president of the Sacramento-Sierra chapter of the American Diabetes Association, and is also a practicing family physician with the Sutter Medical Group in Elk Grove. He received a bachelor's degree from University of Illinois-Chicago and his medical degree from the University of Minnesota. Dr. Prieto resides in Sacramento.

Dr. Janet Wright

Dr. Janet Wright is Treasurer Angelides' appointee to the ICOC representing a heart disease advocacy group. Dr. Wright is an active member of the American College of Cardiology (ACC), and has been nominated to serve on the organization's board of trustees beginning in 2005. She is also a district councilor for the College's California chapter, a member of the American Heart Association, and frequently speaks on women's health issues and cardiovascular health topics. Dr. Wright has a cardiology practice in Chico, where she resides.

Robert Klein

Robert Klein is Treasurer Angelides' nominee to chair the ICOC. Mr. Klein is a businessman and an advocate for life-saving research into serious diseases. Mr. Klein's personal experience with life-threatening diseases, including his son's juvenile diabetes and mother's Alzheimer's disease, led him to propose Proposition 71 and lead the successful effort to gain voter approval of the measure. Mr. Klein was instrumental in the 1970's in the creation of the California Housing Finance Agency, one of the most successful public sector housing finance agencies in the nation. Mr. Klein also served on the board of the agency with Treasurer Angelides from 1999 to 2003. He received his bachelor's and law degrees from Stanford University. Mr. Klein resides in Portola Valley.

Joan Samuelson

Joan Samuelson is the Treasurer's nominee to be the ICOC's vice-chair. Diagnosed with Parkinson's in 1987, Ms. Samuelson left the practice of law to found the Parkinson's Action Network, an education and advocacy group for Parkinson's patients. She currently serves as the organization's president. In 1996, *California Lawyer* magazine named Ms. Samuelson one of the year's "Legal Eagles," one of 30 California lawyers "who made new law, set new policy....or changed the course of national events." She also received the Parkinson's Institute Gala Award for Achievement in 2003. Ms. Samuelson, a resident of Healdsburg, received a B.A. from University of California, Los Angeles, and a law degree from Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California, Berkeley.
